

I longed to be in prison:
Shapour A, Tehran, Iran
Excerpted from Payam Behboodi,
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Editor's Note: Many thanks to Siavash J of Iran, who translated this article—and was able to locate the author for an update. Shapour has been clean 13 years and seven months (as of June 2012). His family (wife and four children) returned to him and he has a good relationship with them. He is an active member of NA, has sponsees, goes to meetings, and works the steps. He contracted bone cancer a few years ago, has had chemotherapy, and is still living with aftereffects. Shapour is an author and has written books about addiction published in Iran and in the USA. He says that he would be dead now if not for the Twelve Steps.

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Unity is not just thinking about my region, but about the best service for all of NA around the world. *Mahmoud Ch, Iran Region*

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